

Review Questions/Answers – First Set

1. You can use the title “CPA”:

- A. Immediately upon passing the Uniform CPA Examination.
- B. When your Hard-Copy Certificate and License are received in the mail.
- C. When your status is posted on the Board’s licensee search database and made available to the public.
- D. Only after you have become a member of a volunteer membership organization.

2. To obtain initial recognition (license) by the Washington State Board of Accountancy you must have had the opportunity through workplace experience to gain certain competencies. Your work experience requirements are::

- A. The dates you worked must cover a 12 month period (not necessarily consecutive)
- B. The workplace experience must have occurred within the 8 years prior to the date the board receives your application.
- C. Must have been obtained in the practice of public accounting working for a CPA firm.
- D. You must also have worked a minimum of 2,000 workplace hours.
- E. All of the above
- F. A, B, and D

3. Your title use and practice privileges in Washington State must be renewed every three years beginning with the date that you became initially qualified and ending three years later on the same date.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Whether or not you are independent for purposes of serving as a member of an audit team is governed solely by the SEC or, for non-public companies, the AICPA Code of Professional Conduct.

- A. True
- B. False

5. An individual obtains an individual Washington license and practices as a sole proprietor using the name Jack Spratt, CPA. The CPA renders only Federal income tax return preparation services to the public. Must Jack also obtain a firm license?

A. Yes

B. No

6. You must timely report a change of physical address to the Board within 20 days of the date you left the original address.

A. True

B. False

7. You must also timely report charges filed by any state or federal regulatory body or foreign credentialing authority to the Board within 30 days of receipt of an initial notice by the such authority.

A. True

B. False

8. You have no remedy through the state's judicial system if you are found guilty of a violation of the Public Accountancy Act or Board Rules as the outcome of a Public Board Hearing.

A. True

B. False

9. Concealing another person's violation of the Public Accountancy Act or Board Rules can result in Board disciplinary action.

A. True

B. False

10. Certain violations of the Public Accountancy Act or Board Rules can result in judicial prosecution.

A. True

B. False

Review Questions/Answers – Second Set

1. A CPA-Inactive certificate holder may use the safe harbor reporting language for Non-CPAs when attaching a letter to financial statements prepared by such unlicensed individuals or business organizations is not available to individuals.

A. True
B. False

2. If a Board Rule is more restrictive than a Rule or Interpretation codified by the AICPA in that organization's Code of Professional Conduct, the Board Rule is the rule to follow if you are a licensee, CPA-Inactive Certificate holder, CPA firm, Non-CPA firm owner, or professional employee of those persons.

A. True
B. False

3. Independence for purposes of rendering audit, review, compilation or other attest or assurance services is defined the same way by the AICPA Code of Conduct and the Washington State Board of Accountancy.

A. True
B. False

4. Compliance with all Codes of Conduct applicable to persons credentialed by the Washington State Board of Accountancy depends primarily on an individual's personal understanding and voluntary actions.

A. True
B. False

5. Under Board Rule an ACT DISCREDITABLE includes seeking to obtain clients by the use of coercion, intimidation, or harassing conduct.

A. True
B. False

6. An entity registering with the Washington's elected Secretary of State may use a DBA in advertising and other public displays even if that name differs from the legal name of the entity. Accordingly, DBAs are also permitted by Board Rule for individuals and firms even if the DBA differs from the name(s) registered with the Board.

A. True

B. False

7. Courses taken for CPE credit (a) will count for CPE credit at renewal only if taken after the applicant's name is initially posted in the Board's database and, therefore, available to the public; (b) credit may be received only for CPE that contributes to the CPA's professional knowledge and competency, (c) and the CPE reporting period for renewal ends on December 31st of the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year the license is subject to renewal.

A. True

B. False

8. To be eligible for continued credential renewal, you must have 116 hours of CPE eligible for credit, including no more than 24 hours of nontechnical subject matter, plus 4 hours of CPE in a Board approved course specific to Ethics and Regulation in Washington State for a total of 120 hours each reporting period.

A. True

B. False

9. CPE credits in excess of the Board prescribed minimums may be carried forward into the next reporting period.

A. True

B. False

10. You must retain proof of CPE taken for three years after the end of the CPE reporting period and submit acceptable forms of documentation in certain circumstances. Those circumstances include

A. During the application process for your initial Washington State license.

B. You are randomly selected for CPE audit.

C. During your application for credential renewal.

D. Annually

E. All of the above

F. A, C, and D